

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

October 13, 2023

Mick Desmond Product Manager Platinum Driveline, Inc. 116 Workman Ct Eureka, MO 63025 NEF-107KL 23E-078

1200 New Jersey Avenue SE Washington, DC 20590

**Subject:** Clutch Cover May Break

Dear Mick Desmond:

This letter serves to acknowledge Platinum Driveline, Inc.'s notification to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) of a safety recall which will be conducted pursuant to Federal law for the product(s) listed below. Please review the following information to ensure that it conforms to your records as this information is being made available to the public. If the information does not agree with your records, please contact us immediately to discuss your concerns.

## Makes/Models/Model Years:

PLATINUM DRIVELINE USA/CLUTCH COVER PLATE/9999

Mfr's Report Date: October 10, 2023

NHTSA Campaign Number: 23E-078

**Components:** 

POWER TRAIN: CLUTCH ASSEMBLY

**Potential Number of Units Affected:** 167

## **Problem Description:**

Platinum Driveline, Inc. (Platinum Driveline) is recalling certain Mustang clutch covers, part number 361986 with 11" outer diameter plate. The clutch cover may have been manufactured with material that may break.

# **Consequence:**

Fractured pieces may become projectiles, increasing the risk of injury.

#### Remedy

Platinum Driveline will replace the clutch cover, free of charge. Owner notification letters are expected to be mailed October 2023. Owners may contact Platinum Driveline customer service at 1-314-678-9310.

#### **Notes:**

Owners may also contact the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Vehicle Safety Hotline at 1-888-327-4236 (TTY 1-800-424-9153), or go to www.nhtsa.gov.



# Please ensure the following requirements are met:

In the case of items of motor vehicle equipment, the manufacturer of the equipment shall identify by name, business address, and business telephone number every manufacturer that purchases the defective or noncomplying component for use or installation in new motor vehicles or new items of motor vehicle equipment (49 CFR 573.6 (c)(2)(v)).

AMENDED 573 REQUIRED.

Please be reminded of the following requirements:

You are required to submit a draft owner notification letter to this office no less than five days prior to mailing it to the customers. Also, copies of all notices, bulletins, dealer notifications, and other communications that relate to this recall, including a copy of the final owner notification letter and any subsequent owner follow-up notification letter(s), are required to be submitted to this office no later than 5 days after they are originally sent (if they are sent to more than one manufacturer, distributor, dealer, or purchaser/owner).

Please be reminded that under 49 U.S.C. § 30112(a)(3), it is illegal for a manufacturer, to sell, offer for sale, import, or introduce or deliver into interstate commerce, a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment that contains a safety defect once the manufacturer has notified NHTSA about that safety defect. This prohibition does not apply once the motor vehicle or motor vehicle equipment has been remedied according to the manufacturer's instructions.

As stated in 49 U.S.C. § 30118(f), submission of eight consecutive quarterly reports followed by three annual reports is required. As described in 573.7, submission of the first of eight consecutive quarterly status reports is required within one month after the close of the calendar quarter in which notification to purchasers occurs. Therefore, the first quarterly report will be due on, or before, 30 days after the close of the calendar quarter. The first of three consecutive annual status reports will be due on, or before, 1 year after the eighth quarterly report was submitted.

Platinum Driveline, Inc.'s contact for this recall will be Kristin Lepper who may be reached by email at kristin.lepper@dot.gov. We look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,

Alex Ansley

Chief, Recall Management Division Office of Defects Investigation

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